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It is noted that an error appears in this patent of a clerical nature or character, as more fully described below. It occurred in good faith. Correction thereof does not involve such changes in the patent as would constitute new matter or would require re-examination.

In five claims, dependent upon apparatus Claims 12 and 15, the claims incorrectly used the term “method” instead of “apparatus.”

Please note that the word “method” was used in the amendment filed on January 20, 2005. Under the heading Claims, on pages 6 and 7, new claims 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 were added. The claims were added with the following:

Claim 14, at line 1, The method of claim 12;
Claim 15, at line 1, The method of claim 12;
Claim 16, at line 1, The method of claim 15;
Claim 17, at line 1, The method of claim 15;
Claim 18, at line 1, The method of claim 12;

Enclosed please find PTO/SB/44. The exact column and line number where the errors occur in the application file are:

Col. 17, line 27, delete "method" and insert therefor --apparatus--;
Col. 17, line 32, delete "method" and insert therefor --apparatus--;
Col. 18, line 8, delete "method" and insert therefor --apparatus--;
Col. 18, line 24, delete "method" and insert therefor --apparatus--;
Col. 18, line 32, delete "method" and insert therefor --apparatus--;

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

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